

## Special Incidents

aché and Countess de Chambrun, the French first secretary and Mme. de Par-

of the place, W. C. G. Gladstone, British attaché; Miss Ashton, of England; Mrs. Bryce; Commander Ratzmann, Count Poutoulsky, Signor Augustus Rosso, Sir Robert and Lady Ross, of Glasgow and Scotland; Sir Robert and Lady Radford, of England; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taft, Miss Louise Taft, the Misses Anderson, of Cincinnati; Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, Miss Ethel Roosevelt, Kermit Roosevelt, Lars Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Crowninshield, Mrs. Richard H. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend, Miss Yvonne Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee and a number of the members of this and last season, the distinguished members of the diplomatic corps and official and resident society.

Sir Robert and Lady Ross, of Balmacara Castle, Scotland, and recently of Canada, came to Washington to attend the ball given by Mrs. Lefter, were the guests of honor at a dinner to-night, with Colonel and Mrs. John T. Thompson as hosts.

Mrs. French Vanderbilt, of New York, who came on for the Letter ball, was entertained at a large dinner party to-night by Mrs. Robert R. Hitt.

Miss Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Taft, their daughter, Miss Louise Taft, and a few others were guests of Miss Mabel Boardman at dinner to-night.

Lady Katherine Howard, of England, Minister of Lord Suffolk, who was to have been part of the winter in Canada and to

ave come here for the Letter ball, was  
etained in England. She may come to

Mrs. Hope Slater and a number of other guests entertained dinner parties before the all in honor of Miss Taft.

The date set for the marriage of Miss Olga Converse, daughter of the late Rear Admiral George A. Converse, and Augustus Derby, of Boston, son of Dr. and Mrs. Hassel Derby, is January 24. The marriage will take place at the Oakland, in Columbia road, where Mrs. Converse is making her winter home.

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NEW YORK SOCIETY.

Mrs. Peter Cooper Hewitt gave a small

Lexington avenue, in connection with

which several other dinners were given, the various hostesses afterward bringing their

ests on to Mrs. Hewitt's residence for the dance. The hostesses included Mrs. F. D. Lanier, Mrs. Richard Gambrill, Mrs. Sidney Dillon Ripley and Miss Anna L. Anderson. There was informal dancing after dinner until midnight, when a buffet supper was served, and this was followed by a waltz led by Amos Tuck French, with Mrs. Hewitt for his partner. The favors consisted of old prints, silver trays, pin cushions of old brocade and quill pens for

the women, while the men received pig  
skin purses, silver trays, jewelled order

Among the guests, numbering about one hundred and twenty, were Mr. and Mrs. Edmund I. Baylies, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Trexel, Mrs. William Payne Thompson, Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Ames, Mr. and Mrs. Francis K. Pendleton, Mrs. French Vanderbilt, Mrs. William Vanderbilt, jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. Norman R. Whitehouse, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. Channing, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Eustis, Miss Anna Belmont, Mr. Belmont Tiffany, Mr. and Mrs. Philip M. Lydis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Cortland Field, Hon. Justice and Mrs. James W. Gerard, Miss Eleanor Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald De Koven, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bourke Cockran, Mrs. Ernest Iselin, Miss Marion

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old, Professor Michael Pupin, the Duc d

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upper was served.

Misses Kierstead Hudson, who is to marry  
Miss Ethel De Koven on January 15, 1915,  
at the Grace Church, will give his farewell bache-  
lor dinner at Delmonico's on Saturday  
evening.

Courtland P. Dixon, 24, whose marriage  
to Miss Hortense Howland is set for Janu-  
ary 23, will give his bachelor dinner on  
January 20 at Delmonico's.

Mrs. Stanley Mortimer will give a dinner  
for her friends at Sherry's on January 23.

Mrs. Walter G. Oakman will give a dinner  
for her friends on Thursday of next week, also a  
bachelor's.

Arthur G. Sedgwick will entertain the  
members of the Thursday Evening Club  
at Sherry's on February 2.

Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt will give a reception this afternoon at her house.

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fifth avenue.

Mrs. John R. Drexel will give a dance one night at her house, in East 60d street.

Mr. Oakleigh Thorne will give a dinner this evening for her daughter, Mrs. Birdseye Blakeman Lewis.

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**SOCIAL NOTES FROM NEWPORT.**  
[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Newport, Jan. 3.—Former Commodore and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry are expected here on a short visit this week to inspect her property.

Mrs. Harold Brown has returned from Providence, where she was a guest of Mrs. William Grosvenor.

Miss Rose A. Grosvenor has returned from a short visit to Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Fish Webster have decided to exhibit their kennels at the

show in New York and Boston the  
inter. \*  
Mr. and Mrs. James Brown and the  
Misses Brown, who have gone to Europe  
to return here in time to open their  
season, early in July.

**CHINESE AGAINST JAPANESE**

**Report of Secret Society in Manchuria  
to Rid It of Island Settlers.**

Peking, Jan. 3.—It is reported that the  
Chinese in Manchuria have organized a  
secret society of large membership, with  
the object of driving the Japanese out of  
the country.  
It is known that the Japanese are strengthening

...ing their garrisons in Manchuria has considerable support in certain circles.

used considerable investment here, where rumors of Japanese aggression are common. Similar stories of Russia's purpose to occupy Harbin and the intermediate country from the frontier are circulated.

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**ONLY ONE RECOMMENDATION.**  
From The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

The difficulties experienced by the Governor-elect in finding the right type of men for the public service are not shared by Sir Murphy, who has only one test of a man's qualifications for office—loyalty to Mammy Hall.